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## PAI-LUNG COMPLEX CHINA

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## PAI-LUNG COMPLEX

Pai-lung is Communist China's closest port to North Vietnam which is capable of performing transshipment functions and providing limited support to naval units. Previously targeted as a port facility, Pai-lung has definite signatures indicating it is a naval subordinated installation.

The Pai-lung complex contains 4 separate installations that are interconnected by road and appear to be inter-related -- a naval facility, a storage installation, a barracks complex, and a probable coastal observation post.

The probable coastal observation post is located on a hilltop 0.4 nm SE and is comprised of 4 buildings and a watch tower.

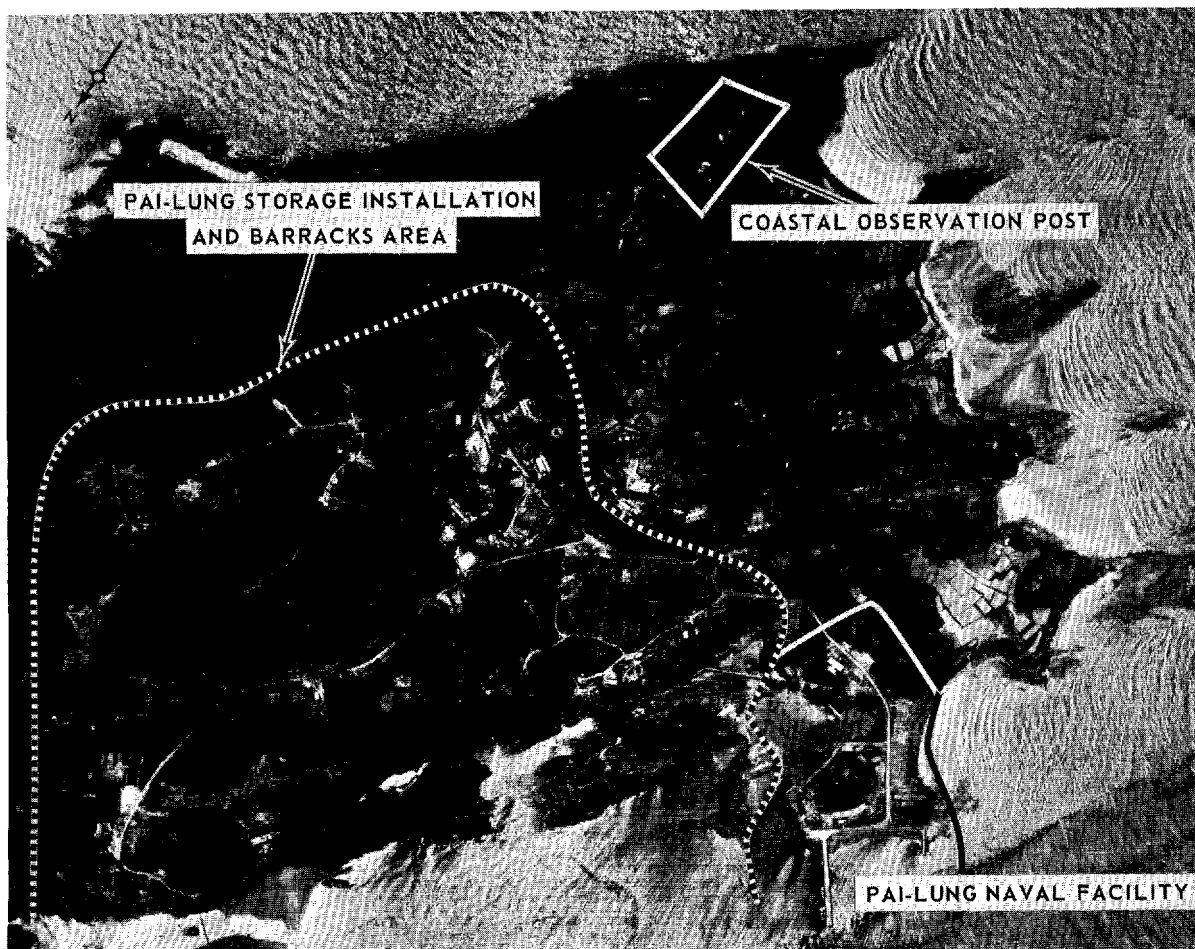


FIGURE 1. AREA PHOTOGRAPH OF PAI-LUNG COMPLEX, CHINA

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Pai-lung Naval Facility

COUNTRY	GEO COORDINATES	WAC	BE NO	NPIC NO	COMOR NO
China	21-31N 108-13E	0615		25X1C	

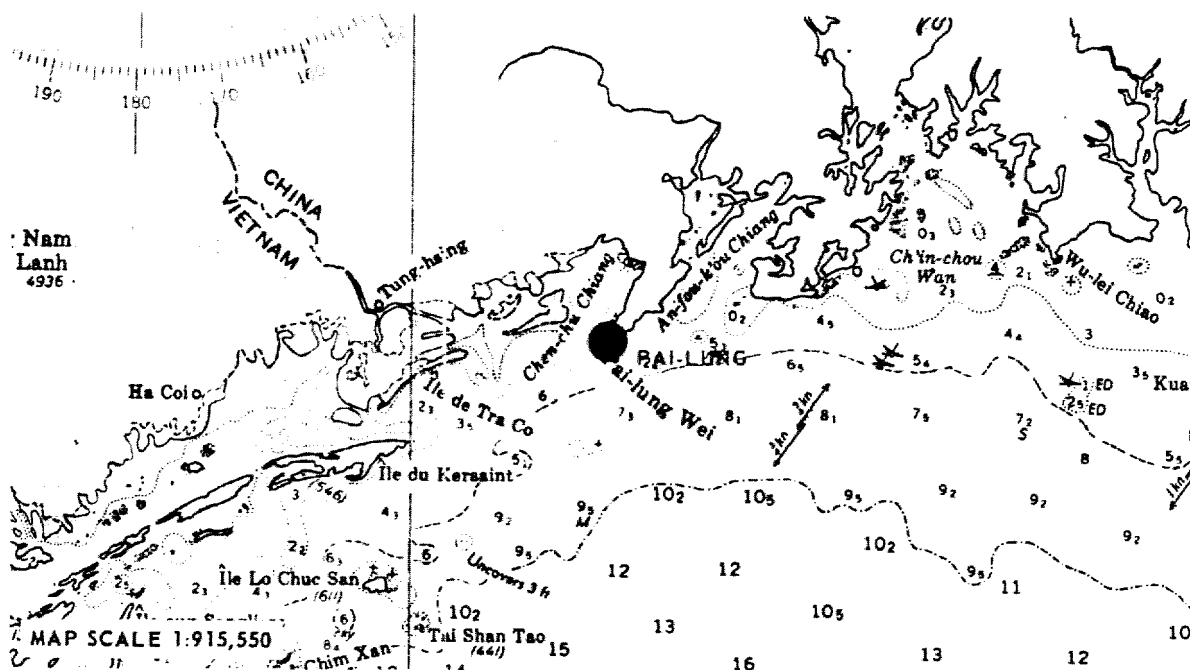
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On the tip of the Pai-lung Wei.

Although previously targeted as a port facility the layout and type of facility are strongly indicative of a small naval facility. Transshipment of material through this installation would be relatively simple, as adequate alongside berthing is available for coastal freighters or ocean-going lighters. However, cargo handling would be complicated by the narrow pier, lack of dockside cranes and storage, and restricted access to the berthing area. This installation appears to be capable of berthing combatants at least as large as a DE (water depth permitting) and is probably the operating base for a detachment size unit with PGM's. Support available would appear to be restricted to limited amounts of stores and a small refueling capability.

Facilities include 1 long finger pier, 1 offshore wharf under construction, 2 revetted buildings, [REDACTED], 1 administration-type building, and 4 support buildings.

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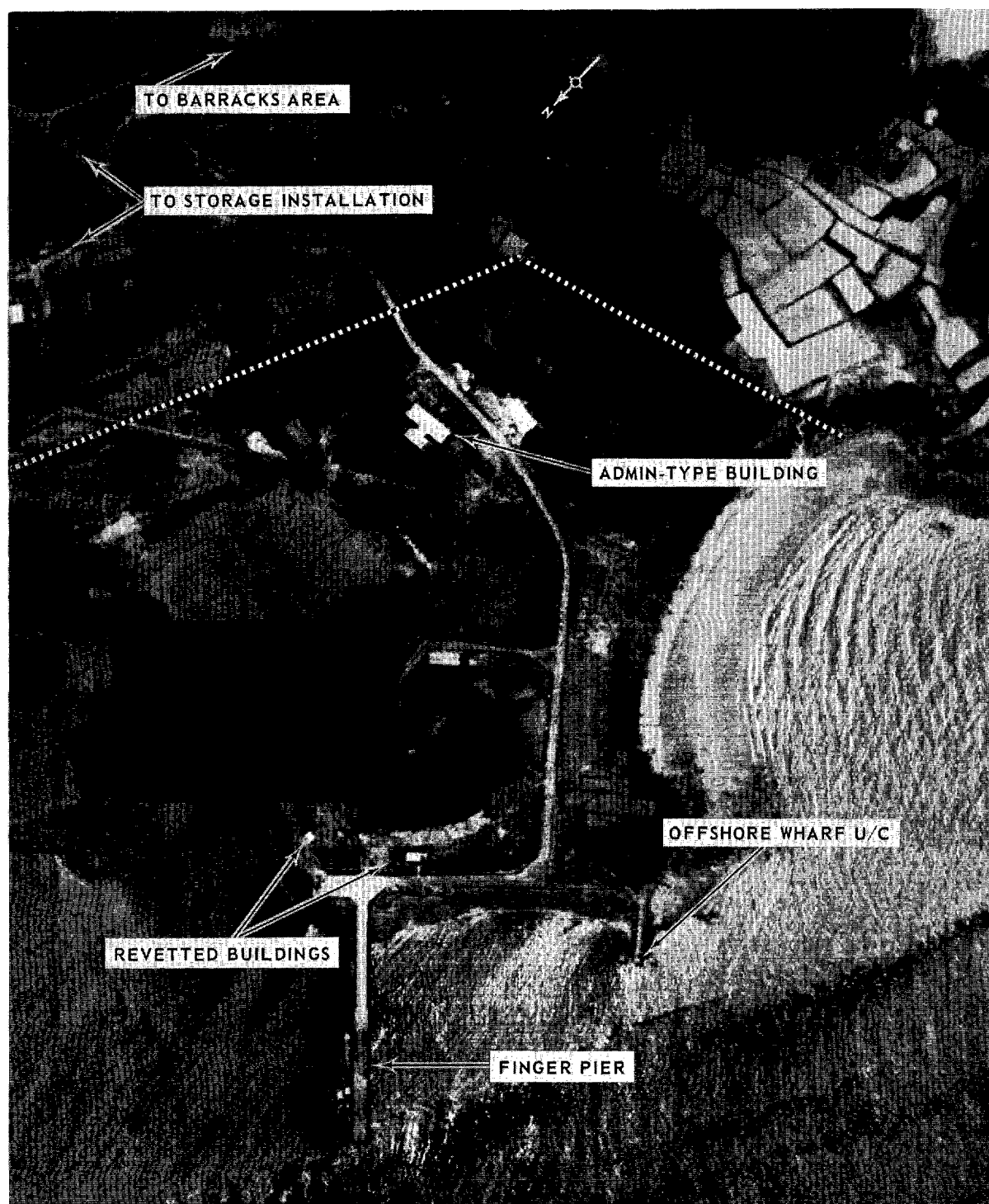


FIGURE 2. PAI-LUNG NAVAL FACILITY, CHINA

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Pai-lung Storage Installation and Barracks Area

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At the SW end of the Pai-lung Wei immediately north of the Pai-lung Naval Facility.

This installation provides substantial storage capabilities through a diversity of storage structures which are widely dispersed.

Facilities include 2 administration-type buildings, 22 storage buildings, 3 buildings under construction, 4 revetted buildings, and 11 support buildings. [REDACTED]

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The adjacent barracks area, which probably serves both the naval base and the storage complex, is comprised of 14 barracks/support buildings and 1 probable basketball court/exercise area.

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